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**COMMENT OF  
THE DAY**

**The Malayan  
Situation**

All the latest reports from Malaya show that the Communists are continuing to get the worst of it. They are inflicting very few casualties on police, military or civilians, but are losing well over 100 of their own men each month. It is this which allows Mr. Malcolm MacDonald to tell the United States Vice-President, Mr. Richard Nixon, that "the low point has been reached" for the free nations in Southeast Asia and that "the tide is running against the Communists." Nevertheless the Red terrorists are still there. Some of the guerrillas have probably been withdrawn deep into the jungle areas of Northern Malaya; others may have simply mingled with the civilian population. But whether they are losing much of that support from people in the towns and villages which has been part of their strength from the beginning is a matter for doubt. Years of police surveillance, curfews and restrictions have not endeared the Government to the people of the Malayan countryside, and it is good news that the emergency regulations have been largely lifted in the area of Malacca. It is inevitable, however, that "necessary restrictions" which have been so long in force breed apathy and resentment, and it is difficult to avoid the feeling Malaya is making very slow progress politically, economically and socially.

**COMPARATIVELY** little has been done to create the institutions of self-government. There have been elections to village boards and a few town councils. But in the matter of elections to the Central Legislative Council the Government has had to be "pressured" into appointing a committee of inquiry by two local groups which are at loggerheads with one another, so that the task of drafting an agreed plan has been made harder by the Government's failure to take the lead. General Templer's latest move in bringing into responsible posts in the Administration two leaders of one of these groups is sensible so far as it goes. But the step has been taken within the framework of Government nomination. It does not have the effect of bringing the masses of the people into the political life of the country. A reason given by the authorities in Malaya for going slow in the matter of electoral advance is that distrust between the Chinese and Malays is still strong. This may well be true, but that merely invites the question: is enough being done to break down this inter-racial antagonism? Both sides are in need of political guidance which must be offered them freely.

**Crucial Korea Parleys**

**Open Today  
PESSIMISM OVER  
OUTCOME**

**11th-Hour Warning  
By Mr Dean**

Munsan, Oct. 26.

The United Nations will open direct negotiations with the Communists today to pick a time and place for the Korean peace conference amidst pessimism that the conference may never be called. Special envoy Mr. Arthur H. Dean will sit down across a table from North Korean and Communist Chinese delegates at 11 a.m. near Panmunjom. Mr. Dean will represent the 16 UN nations that fought in Korea as well as the South Korean Government, which is not a member of the UN. The negotiations will be held in a straw mat building exactly straddling the truce line about one mile south of Panmunjom. In an eleventh hour warning, Mr. Dean cautioned that he will not let the Reds change the meeting into a propaganda marathon and said he expected the Korean conference to be arranged in seven to 10 days.

**Wednesday  
Is Important  
For Bevan**

London, Oct. 25.

The result of an election to be announced here on Wednesday will tell Mr. Aneurin Bevan, Labour left-winger, whether he is making any headway in a bid for the ultimate leadership of the British Labour Party.

Mr. Bevan is challenging Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Party's chief strategist, for the post of Deputy Opposition leader in the House of Commons. The vote in confined to Parliament's 295 Labour members.

Mr. Morrison has held the Deputy Opposition leadership for many years, but 12 months ago, at the height of the squabble between the Labour left-wing and the official leadership, Mr. Bevan created a stir by contesting the post.

He was beaten by 194 votes to 92. Subsequently Mr. Bevan stood for a seat in the Socialist "shadow Cabinet"—its Parliamentary front bench—and was elected to the 12th and last place with the lowest vote of any successful candidate. He was the only Bevanite to secure a seat.

Mr. Bevan is likely to be defeated again in the contest with Mr. Morrison for the Deputy leadership. The main significance of the fight is whether he succeeds in increasing his vote.—China Mail Special.



Sydney King, tall, young rabble rouser who was Minister of Communications in the sacked British Guiana Cabinet, looks at a tumbled heap of documents on his desk at home. His mother stands behind him. During the week-end, he was one of three leaders of the People's Progressive Party arrested by the Police.—London Express Photo.

**The Governor Was In  
Ignorance Of PPP  
Leaders' Arrest**

Georgetown, Oct. 25.

Six People's Progressive Party members were being held in Blairmont village gaol under armed guard today while the Colony's legal experts decided what charges if any should be brought against them.

The six—three of them leaders of the Party and the other three lesser personalities—held under emergency powers, were said to have been moving among workers urging a wider work stoppage when they were detained and searched yesterday.

Police made the surprise detention as part of stronger action to discourage PPP attempts to spread strikes. Today, Mrs. Jagan in Georgetown called on Police Commissioner Colonel C.H. Ward, and asked what charges had been brought against the six. She was reported to have been told no charges had been brought yet.

She was also told there was no objection to a lawyer going to Blairmont, a sugar-estate village about 100 miles from Georgetown. Later she said she was considering going to the estate herself.

**AWAITING DECISION**  
The three leaders held are Sidney King, Rory Westmas and Martin Carter. The men will stay under detention until the Attorney General, Mr. F. W. Holder, reaches a decision.

Under the emergency powers, the Governor, Sir Alfred Savage, can also sign an order keeping them under detention, legal sources said.

It was learned that the Commander of the British troops, Brigadier A. C. F. Jackson, complained to the Governor this morning that he was not informed of the proposed arrests until early today.

The Governor himself was not informed until about four hours after the men were detained. It was learned.

No demonstrations of any kind have been reported in connection with the arrests. As today is a holiday of the sugar estates, the reaction of workers there will not be known until Monday.—Reuter.

**MP'S FEAR**

London, Oct. 25.

Mr. Fenner Brockway, Labour member of Parliament, wrote in Reynolds' News today that he believed the People's Progressive Party of British Guiana is an alliance of nationalist, socialist and Communist elements, all of which are reflected in the leadership. He supported the idea that India should be represented in the proposed commission.

"My fear is that the (British) Government's dismissal of the Ministers on bids and suspensions of the constitution will strengthen the Communist tendency," he wrote.

Mr. Brockway said he reached these conclusions after questioning for hours Dr. Cheddi Jagan, deposed British Guiana Prime Minister, and Mr. L. F. S. Burnham, Chairman of the PPP. Mr. Brockway condemned the suspension of the constitution and asked "what next?" "The most promising idea voiced by Rory Wedgwood Benn, in the best speech of the debate, is that the commission which is to go to British Guiana should

include a representative from India and from the Gold Coast. "In the population of 440,000 in British Guiana, there are nearly 200,000 Indians and 150,000 Africans.

"India is the world leader of the coloured peoples. The Gold Coast is successfully emerging from partial self-government (the pre-suspension status of British Guiana) to independence.

"The inclusion on the Commission of representatives of India and West Africa would give some hope that Democracy will not be destroyed.

**AMBLE TIME**  
"There is still ample time for it to prove itself if only we are allowed a long period of peace to enable all countries to learn more and more of the blessings of real international co-operation," he added.

Sir David Maxwell Fyfe reminded his audience that the United Nations "is not a world Government."

"I think an examination and an objective look at it makes us surprised that with all its difficulties it has already achieved so much," he added.

"The organisation had come out of the challenge and dilemma of Korea revitalised, greater and more able to play its part in the world with its reputation enhanced and its ability to work increased," he said.

"But I want you today not only to consider the United Nations as something that deals with international troubles. "I want you to consider it as something which is always positively and actually working for the peace of the world and the removal of poverty from mankind."—Reuter.

**EXPLOSION IN  
PILL BOX**

Munich, Oct. 26.

Seven people, including two children, were injured when a pill box formerly used as an anti-aircraft shelter was wrecked by an explosion here on Sunday. The cause of the blast was not known so far. It was believed the children set off the explosion while playing inside the pill box.—France-Press.

**MILK WORKERS  
STRIKE**

New York, Oct. 25.

A total of 12,000,000 people in the area of Greater New York today went without milk as workers in the milk industry went on strike. The strike started at 4 p.m. GMT.—France-Press.

**Trieste Crisis:  
New London  
Discussions**

Washington, Oct. 26.

A State Department spokesman disclosed that Mr. Homer Byington, Director of Western European affairs, is leaving for London tonight to meet British officials on the Trieste dispute.

The spokesman said Mr. Byington also may consult with French representatives, but that his trip was intended "primarily to meet with the British Foreign Office."

The high American official's trip appeared to confirm reports here that Britain and the United States plan to continue their efforts in seeking a way of gradually turning over Zone A of Trieste to Italy without making the move offensive to Yugoslavia.

The decision to give Zone A to Italy was taken by the United States and Britain since their troops are occupying that area. Since its announcement on October 8, however, France has joined the two powers in urging Italy and Yugoslavia to meet in a five-power conference for a final settlement of the Trieste dispute.

The question now seems to be to find some way in which Yugoslavia will attend such a conference and still allow the Anglo-American decision to be carried out.

The Yugoslav government has strongly objected to the decision to evacuate Anglo-American occupation troops from Zone A in favour of Italy and has even threatened to march into the territory if this happens.

**TONED DOWN**  
Official quarters feel, however, that since these two opposing positions were first propounded, both parties have toned down and that a compromise formula should now be worked out for a five-power conference.

It is understood that the first step planned in this direction will be the London meeting that is to decide on the implementation of the Anglo-American decision.

Observers here believe that this move has been helped along by Italy's proposal for a withdrawal of troops from the Trieste frontier, which should result in a general lessening of tension and assure Yugoslavia that Italy has no aggressive intentions.

These observers noted that the United States and Britain are willing to compromise with Yugoslavia to the extent of the timing and manner of transference of the Zone to Italy.

At the same time, it is believed that Yugoslavia may receive in advance some assurances concerning the scope of the five-power conference and to the effect that Italian administration of Zone A should be regarded as a temporary measure and not a permanent settlement.

Meanwhile, American officials doubted reports that the forthcoming meeting in London was convoked because of a deadlock in the Allied efforts to get

Yugoslavia and Italy to come to the five-power talks. "We have been making constant progress in this direction and there is no reason to doubt that a solution will be reached," declared an official.

One major consideration that is understood to be moving the United States and Britain to quicker action is Italy's threat not to unify the European Defence Community unless the Trieste situation is substantially improved—presumably to Italy's satisfaction.

It is the hope of the United States government that all partner nations will have ratified the EDC treaty by Christmas. Washington and London are known also to be anxious for some progress on a settlement before the Trieste matter again comes up in the United Nations next week, where Russia is sure to renew its demand for an immediate debate on the question and propose that the whole territory be internationalised.

It is considered quite possible that French officials will join the British and US conferees in London at a later stage of the talks this week, to continue studying the possibility for a five-power conference.—United Press.

**Shah's Birthday  
Gesture**

Teheran, Oct. 25.

The Shah of Persia, on the eve of his 34th birthday today, decided his Taksistan estate to 1,600 peasants on a long-term pay as you go basis.

Each deed was for 15 acres and proceeds from the installment payments will be to create development banks for the peasants.

The peasants swarmed to the Shah's marble palace on the estate 80 miles from here and received the deed from the Shah. They knelt on the ground before the Shah and kissed his feet.

Shouts of "long live the beloved Shah; may Allah give him 120 years of life and many sons" ran across the estate.—United Press.

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**Reds' 5-Point  
Agenda**

Panmunjom, Oct. 26. The Communists opened the preliminary discussions on the Korean political conference today by immediately demanding that neutrals—especially Asian neutrals—be admitted to the conference.

The Communists presented a five-point agenda.

1. Proposed.
2. The question of the composition of the political conference.
3. The question of time.
4. The question of place.
5. The question of procedural matters, and

6. The question of expenditures of the conference.—Reuter.

**More Scotch  
Being Drunk**

London, Oct. 25.

Exports of Scotch whisky from Britain during the first nine months of this year were the highest recorded for the period, the Scotch Whisky Association announced today.

They were more than 1,000,000 proof gallons greater than for the same period last year, and earned £3,000,000 more.

Total exports were 9,526,930 proof gallons, worth £27,176,400—equivalent to an annual rate of 12,700,000 proof gallons worth £30,000,000.

The United States were again the largest single purchaser during the nine months. They imported 2,272,038 gallons, paying £15,237,575.

This was over 500,000 gallons more than in the first nine months of last year, and earnings were up by approximately £1,500,000.

Total exports to America last year were 6,800,000 gallons—little more than 1,000,000 above those in the first nine months of this year.—China Mail Special.



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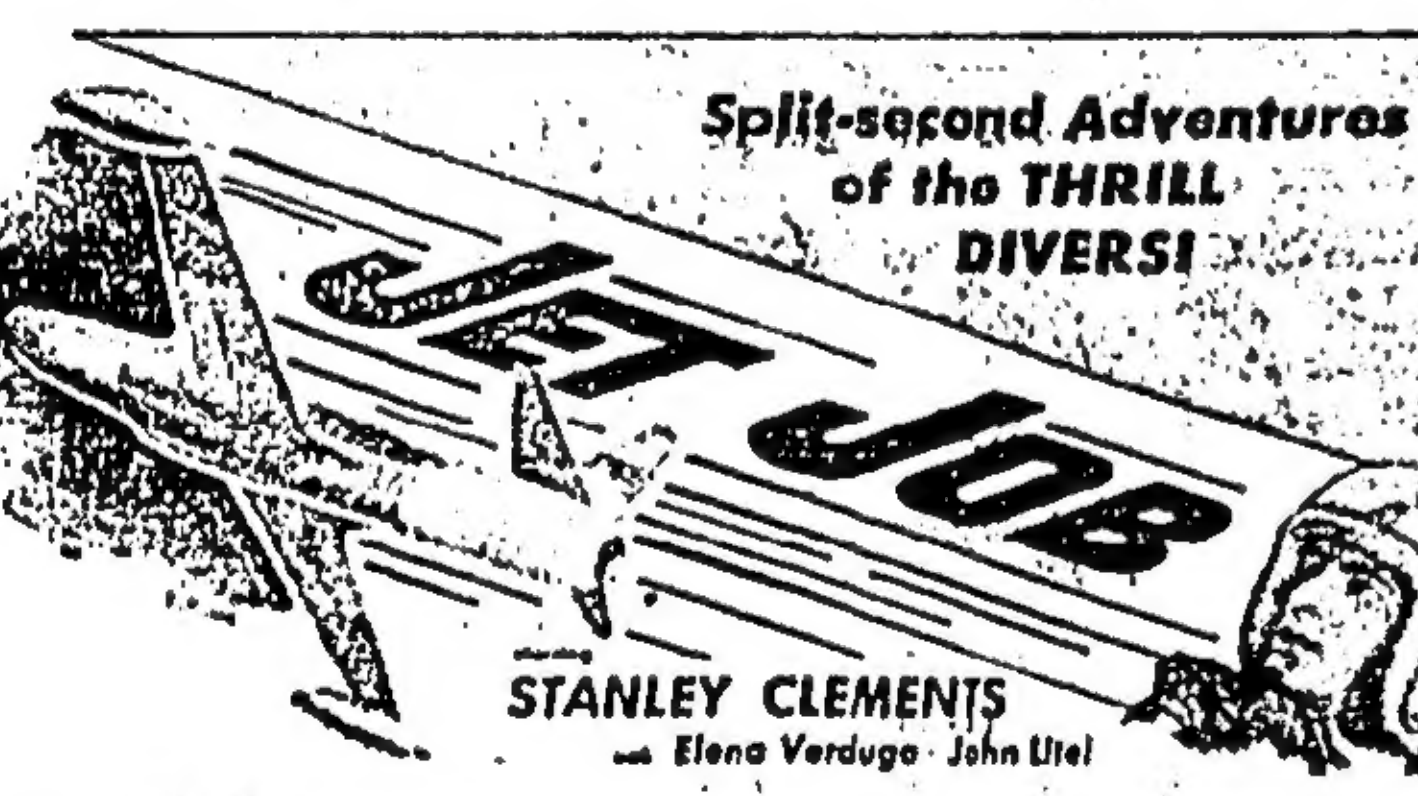


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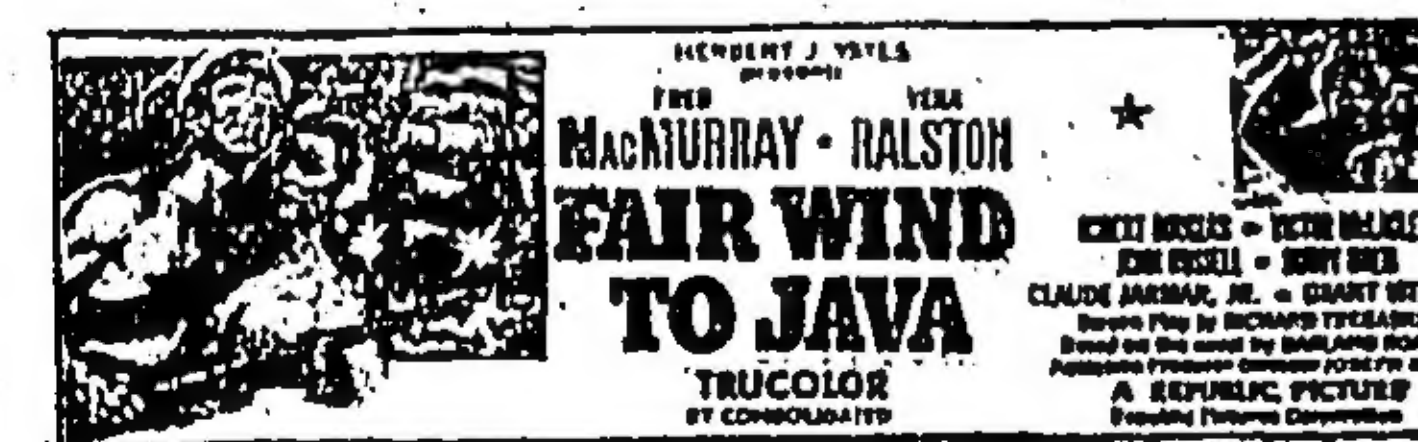


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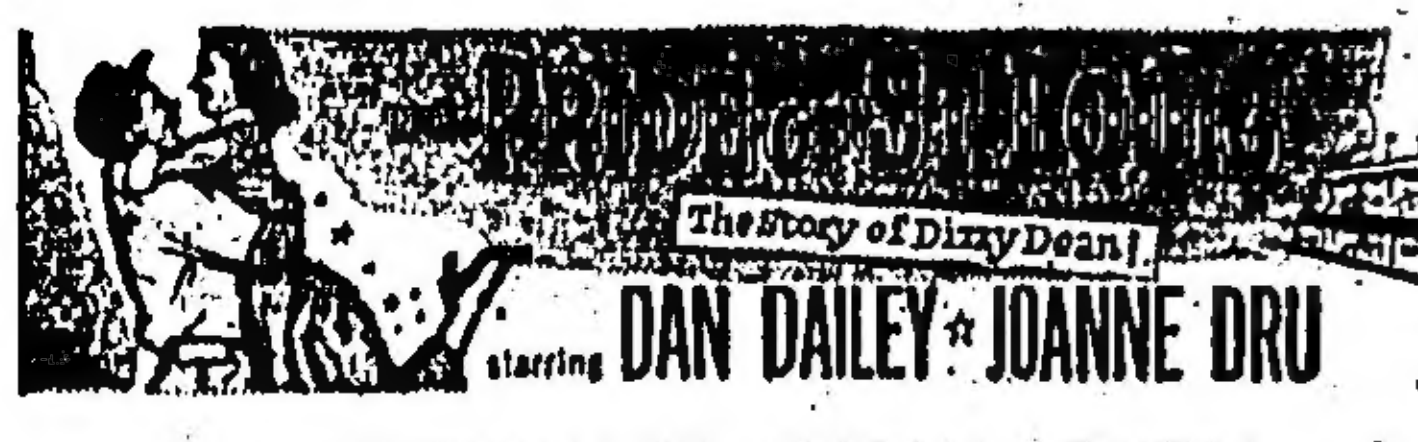


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## Belgian Police Swoop

Preventive Arrests  
All Over Country

Dixmude, Oct. 25. Police carried out 400 preventive arrests throughout Belgium today as several thousand ex-servicemen and veterans of the Resistance Movement demonstrated today at a war memorial near here.

The demonstration was a "reply" to Flemish extremists who had held a meeting on August 22 demanding an amnesty for collaborators.

The demonstration was called to "defend the cause of the memory of those who died for their country," the organisers said.

The authorities massed more than 1,500 policemen at Dixmude, expecting a clash, but the day was relatively calm. Some demonstrations were torn up from the streets, and many were scattered on the roads nearby, but there were no incidents.

The demonstrators poured in by train, bus and private car and included not only Walloons but large numbers of Flemish veterans.

The Government authorities had the Prime Minister declined an invitation to participate.

### CARS STOPPED

The demonstration was checked by a 60-mile motorcade to the Resistance Shrine of Breendonk, near Antwerp. An expected counter-demonstration appeared to have evaporated, except for a few students chanting slogans along the route.

Police stopped cars to carry out searches of suspicious individuals, and motorists watched the parades from a military observation plane.

Police in Ghent used their truncheons to disperse gatherings of Flemish students during demonstrations by war veterans and former Resistance members. No one was seriously hurt but police arrested a number of people.

Meanwhile in Antwerp, members of the former Resistance Movement held an enormous procession under the watchful eye of several thousand police but there were no incidents.

France-Press.

## Russians Release Norwegians

Berlin, Oct. 25. The Soviet authorities today handed over five Norwegian prisoners of war and two civilians, including a woman, held since the war in Russia.

The prisoners were handed over to the Norwegian Military Mission in Berlin.

The seven were handed over in Berlin's East Station in the Soviet zone and were immediately taken to the Mission's headquarters in Berlin prior to being sent back to Norway via Hamburg.

The five war prisoners formerly belonged to the South Norland Division.

The woman, Randi Samuelson, had been arrested in Vienna. She had been separated from other Norwegians in the Soviet Union.

Mr G. F. C. Collin, head of the Norwegian Military Mission in Berlin, told Reuter she must have been in a camp "somewhere in Siberia," because she travelled by train for about a week before joining the others, who had all come from a camp near Kiev, in the Ukraine.

The other civilian, who comes from Finnmark, was arrested in Norway in 1945.

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# Bao Dai Returning To Saigon Today

Slums are the breeding ground of juvenile dope addicts in New York and other metropolitan cities.

That is the conclusion of a group of sociologists who conducted a survey of teen-age narcotics users in New York for the Research Centre for Mental Health of New York University.

The juvenile drug user of New York City, the sociologists told a medical convention here, is merely a thwarted individual who has lost his self-respect because of failure to break the bonds of his slum neighbourhood.

Use of drugs enables the impressionable juvenile to escape from the fact that he has failed to win recognition, that he is a failure in his environment, that he lacks power and influence in his social group.

Statistics gathered by the investigators showed that 77.7 per cent of 1,000 adolescent male addicts were individuals who had only a "lower education," 73.2 per cent of them were

reared in conditions of poverty, while 73.8 per cent of them were unskilled workers.

Tending to confirm the New York findings were results of a study made on the same subject in Chicago. The Chicago researchers concluded:

OUT OF PROPORTION

1. There has been a significant increase in the rate of addiction during the past decade, "principally among adolescent and young adult males."

2. Most of the young drug users come from the communities which traditionally present the city's most serious social problems.

3. The youth of the lower class among minority groups shows a disproportionately high incidence of opiate use and addiction.

Once the youth has become a victim of the drug habit, the compulsion of addiction asserts itself. The addict is then forced to depend on "delinquent activity" to obtain money for the purchase of the drug.

At the same time, he is reluctant to take advantage of the methods offered by society for his recovery, because of the negative legal sanctions surrounding opiate addiction.

THREE STAGES

According to the Chicago researchers, the addict passes through three stages.

The first, the "honeymoon" stage, is marked by infatuation with the "euphoric effects of heroin and ready sharing of drugs with associates.

This stage terminates with the discovery that physical dependence upon the drug has set in.

Then the youthful addict begins to react without reason to the continual pressure for the need of heroin, increases the frequency of his acts of delinquency and operates with little caution. He also loses his "friendship" for fellow addicts.

In the third stage, the addict levels off with his use of drug. He maintains the dose at a minimum to delay a build-up of tolerance. He establishes dependable sources of supply and operates as a criminal with moderate success in the effort to finance his addiction.

The Chicago investigators expressed the opinion that educational efforts to warn youth of the dangers of drug addiction have little effect upon addicts and the groups which spawn addiction.

The present repressive measures used in the United States, they added, virtually ensure the continued delinquency of any young person who becomes addicted because they do not ease the individual's transition from a juvenile state to a "conventional adult status."—Reuter.

On a lesser scale, the official said, American diplomatic missions in several European capitals had called on Gallup research institutes to produce public opinion reports to help the missions to appraise their policy. Polls had been conducted in Italy, France, Britain and Holland.

Four miles from Bonn, in an ultra-modern headquarters at Mehlmer, American statisticians, led by Dr Leo Crespi, produce reports on German opinion which are passed on to Washington.

The polling of the population is done under contract by a German firm, Divo, of Frankfurt. The analysis is done by the High Commission.

Dr Crespi describes public opinion sounding as an "antidote to totalitarianism and a bulwark of democracy." He believes that "everything a person does ought to be evaluated."

China Mail Special.

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Paris, Oct. 25.

Emperor Bao Dai, head of the Vietnam state, will leave his residence in Cannes, South of France, for his capital, Saigon, in Indo-China by air tomorrow, it was reported here today.

His arrival in Saigon, where the pro-French Nationalists are in increasing fear of being overwhelmed by extremists who, though a minority, are masters of the Municipality of Hanoi, capital of Tonkin, northern part of the Vietnam Republic, where the main body of the Franco-Vietnam troops is conducting its latest offensive against the rebel force of Ho Chi-minh.

The minority Nationalists are claiming that full independence of Vietnam "cannot be achieved within the French Union." The majority, loyal to Bao Dai, however, are opposed to severing connections with France, whose support they need. If independence is to be preserved against the Communists, they say.

France herself is in something of a dilemma. If the Vietnam Republic leaves the French Union, there is no legal basis for the continuation of French fighting in Indo-China. If she insists on membership of the French Union without any change in the present conditions of the members, the extreme Nationalists may eventually undermine the position of Bao Dai and win the day.

The parliamentary debate in the National Assembly in Paris, which started on Friday and resumes on Tuesday, has special importance because it may prepare the way out of this dilemma. It may enable the Government to agree to modify the present conditions for membership of the French Union. It was considered significant here that one Gaullist speaker on Friday, not given to concessions about the French Union, said a more elastic form of membership must be found.

MEANING CLEAR

French official action is evidently directed towards this end. The new treaty between France and the kingdom of Laos signed last week contained two changes which enabled the Premier and Foreign Minister of Laos to affirm that the new state of affairs does in fact give total sovereignty to Laos while maintaining its membership of the French Union.

The first change was that the kingdom of Laos is directly responsible for all international treaty rights and obligations entered into previously on its behalf by France. The second is that membership of the French Union is exercised through the Supreme Council of the French Union and not by simple association with metropolitan France.

No official interpretation of this apparent constitutional change has yet been announced, but it is clear that the meaning is that the French Union is being developed towards a confederal association of member States instead of the federal conception which the authors of the 1946 constitution had in mind.

Tuesday's debate in the French Assembly now looks like being less dangerous for the Laniel Government than a week ago. It may come to an end during the night from Tuesday to Wednesday with an agreed resolution supported by the Government's majority. But if necessary, Premier Laniel will make the issue a matter of confidence, and Government officials believe that the Assembly would hesitate to overthrow the Government in present circumstances.—Reuter.

FRANCE WARNED

Bar le Duc, Oct. 25. The Minister for Overseas France, M. Louis Jacquinot, today warned the French people against the danger of leaving French Overseas territories "outside of the European community."

The Minister, in a statement issued after he had presided over a meeting of 150 ex-servicemen, said he had just written a letter to Premier Joseph Laniel to this effect.—France-Press.

## Radford Tour Of Europe

Washington, Oct. 25. The Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Arthur W. Radford, left Washington today for a tour of inspection of Europe to confer with defence leaders.

Admiral Radford, who had not visited Europe in four years and said he wished to meet those leaders with whom he would be called upon to work.

The Admiral was accompanied by Mrs. Radford.—Ftinet-Press.

## 'INHABITED MISSILE' TRIED OUT

Edwards Base, Calif., Oct. 25. The United States Air Force F-102 all-weather supersonic interceptor has been given its first test flight.

Keeping details of performance secret, the Air Force announced only that Richard Johnson, chief test pilot for the plane's makers, had made a successful flight here in the triangle-shaped plane.

Capable of speeds faster than sound at high altitudes, the single-seater is powered by a turbo-jet engine and is the latest plane designed for the air defence of the United States.

"It incorporates significant improvements in electronics and armament to make possible all-weather around-the-clock interception of enemy bombers," the Air Force announced. "The Air Force Association, an organisation of past and present members of the Air Force, has called the F-102 almost an 'inhabited missile' in which the pilot, except for take-offs and landings, 'becomes scarcely more than a flesh and blood monitor for the little black (electronics) boxes which do the work.'—Reuter.

## Libyan King's Tour

Madrid, Oct. 25. King Idris and Queen Fatima of Libya arrived today from Burgos, North Spain. They are on a short visit to Spain.—Reuter.

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# VITAL STEP BY BRITAIN

## Cabinet To Decide On Trade Policy Liberalising Of Exchanges With European Continent

London, Oct. 25.

The British Government will decide this week whether it is able to adopt a policy of freer trade with the rest of Europe, according to today's Observer.

### Family Is U.N. In Miniature

Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 25.

The four children of Air Force Sergeant and Mrs. Albert Rowe represent three different nationalities.

The children are Jimmy, aged seven and a half, a native Texan; Perry, 18, and a half, who was born to German parents after the war; Philip, four and a half, of Japanese-American parentage; and Kathleen, 21 months, also Japanese-American.

Rowe's private "melting pot" came about after they had been married for five years and a doctor told them they never could have children of their own.

"If we can't have our own, we'll adopt them," they said. First came Jimmy, an orphan who was adopted in Texas. Later Rowe served in Berlin. They adopted a 13-month-old orphan named Perry.

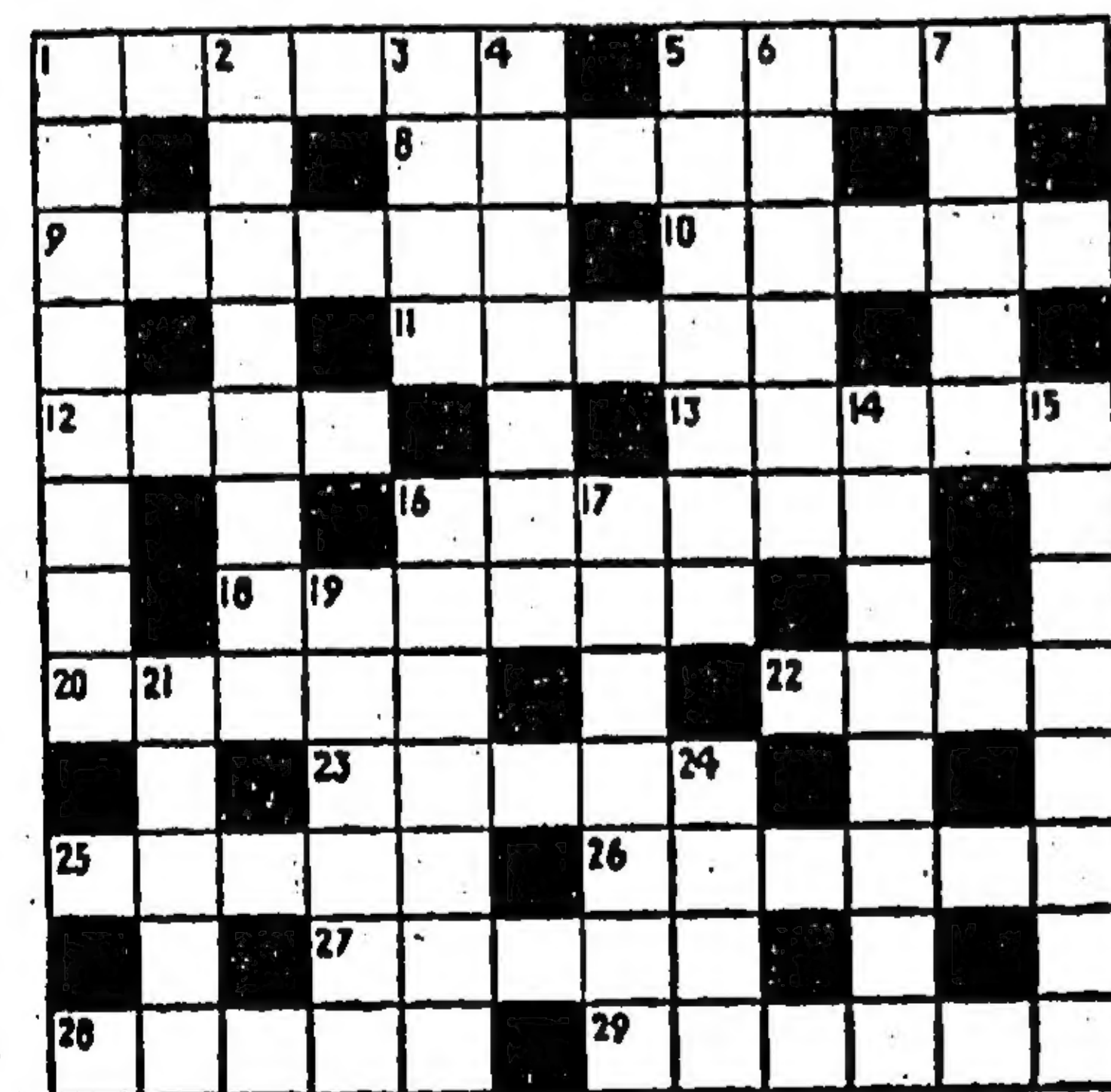
Rowe went overseas again at the outbreak of the Korean war and was joined by his family in Tokyo. They had not been long when Kathleen, who had been left on the doorstep of a Buddhist temple, came to live in the Rowe house. The family circle was complete with the addition of Philip, who had been in a Yokohama foundling home.

Of the four children, only Jimmy is a United States citizen. Perry now will be eligible to file for his papers, but to do so he must first be adopted by his parents.

An army helicopter picked up the cross from a sports field and flew it to the church tower. It was fixed to the top while being held by the helicopter.

China Mail Special.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Extend (6).
  - Rule (5).
  - Granted (5).
  - Infuse (6).
  - Donates (5).
  - First appearance (5).
  - Trees (4).
  - Advances money (5).
  - Leave (6).
  - Chief (6).
  - Uncloses (5).
  - Meadows (4).
  - Stock (5).
  - Pigment (5).
  - Ran off (5).
  - Coarse (5).
  - Remains stationary (5).
  - Feels (6).
- DOWN**
- Dagger (8).
  - Look like (8).
  - Sour (4).
  - Expunged (7).
  - Steady (7).
  - Newsman (6).
  - Inexperienced (5).
  - Tries (8).
  - Goals (6).
  - Coward (7).
  - Noble lady (7).
  - Flag (6).
  - Fold (5).
  - Besides (4).

**SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.**—Across: 1 Ballad, 5 Scrap, 8 Felt, 9 Opined, 11 Anvil, 12 Result, 14 Sure, 16 Treat, 18 Amuse, 19 Read, 20 Litter, 21 Naive, 22 Tonics, 23 Ties, 25 Style, 26 Remedy, Down: 1 Born, 2 Lair, 3 Apex, 4 Deduce, 6 Statute, 8 Revived, 7 Palette, 10 Nigma, 13 Marines, 14 Subsidy, 15 Replete, 17 Raven, 19 Rotter, 21 Tote, 22 Rise, 23 Espy.

### Princess Off To France



The Duchess of Kent and her daughter, Princess Alexandra, walk to the plane at London Airport on Oct. 17 to fly to Paris. The Princess is staying in France for a few weeks, brushing up on her French and seeing the sights. — Central Press Photo.

## Casey Says Rhee's Attitude Based On Misunderstanding

Madras, Oct. 25.

Mr R. G. Casey, Australia's Minister for External Affairs, said today South Korea's objection to India's membership on the Korean political conference was based on a "complete misunderstanding" by Dr Syngman Rhee, the South Korean President.

Dr Rhee misunderstood the Indian Government's ideology and India's attitude of mind towards Communism, he declared.

"Anyone who knows India is convinced that the Government of India is strongly anti-Communist; although India has chosen to adopt a middle of the road policy internationally towards Communism," Mr Casey said.

"This does not mean that India has any sympathy with the international aims of Communism. No country has more to lose by the international success of Communism than India."

He said India had a very great fund of goodwill in the United States and "it would be tragic if the difficulty about India's membership on the Korean political conference were to be allowed to poison Indo-American relations."

Mr Casey, who has been in India for the Colombo Plan's Consultative Committee meeting in New Delhi, added that prisoners of war in Korea were subject to great strain and stress and many of them held very strong views against Communism.

It was understandable that prisoners refusing repatriation showed great reluctance to go before "explosives from their respective sides and listen to the arguments of their compatriots."

### TROOPS PRAISED

The prisoners do not know they will not be subjected to any compulsion, he added.

Praising the work of the Indian custodian forces in Korea, the Australian Foreign Minister said: "India has shown the greatest patience and I think Lieutenant-General K.S. Thimayya, Chairman of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Committee, would be well advised to continue his persuasive tactics which, I feel sure, will succeed in the end."

Mr Casey described the appointment of Mr Arthur Dean as United States special envoy to the Panmunjom talks as a good choice and said he was the one who would negotiate and arrange conditions for holding the Korean political conference.

Mr Casey arrived from Bombay this morning. He will stay for two days in Colombo before flying on to Singapore, where he will meet Mr Malcolm MacDonald, United Kingdom High Commissioner for South-east Asia. He will then return to Australia. — Reuters.

## AMERICA ORDERS MYSTERES

Maubeuge, Oct. 25.

The French Secretary of State for Air, M. Louis Christiaens, said today that 225 Mystere aircraft had been ordered from France by the United States.

In addition, he said, 71 Mustang aircraft had been ordered by India since July 2. The Minister revealed that he was due to sign a contract in three weeks for 10 Nord Atlas aircraft for Brazil.

In all, he said, these orders would bring more than U.S.\$140 million to French industry. He urged manufacturers to drop production of out-dated types and to concentrate on prototypes, whose technical superiority in the aerial field had been proved by tests. — France-Press.

### New Dock Union Threatened

Washington, Oct. 25.

Almost a third of New York's dockers now belong to the new dockworkers' union founded by the American Federation of Labour, according to A.F.L. President George Meany today.

Mr Meany said the new union did not intend to suppress the old one, but would provide New York dockers with a union that was free from gangsterism. He added that the organizers of the new union had been threatened with reprisals. — France-Press.

## WASHINGTON TO SPEND MORE ON CIVIL DEFENCE

Washington, Oct. 26.

The United States Civilian Defence Administrator, Mr Val Peterson, said today Congress would be asked next year to appropriate \$650,000,000 for civilian defence—about 14 times as much as it approved for this year.

He said in a radio interview that the \$650,000,000 would be used to stockpile medical and engineering items, fire-fighting equipment and electric generators, and to match money put up by the States for their civilian defence needs.

The Civilian Defence Administration had asked this year for \$125,000,000, but Congress appropriated only \$40,000,000.

A private American research group said today that the United States could if necessary raise its defence spending to as much as \$75,000,000,000 a year by 1958 without causing serious damage to the nation's economy.

The research group, the National Planning Association, said the study was made to find out only what could be done, not what should be done. The Association described itself as a non-profit, non-political organization for economic study.

### TAX INCREASES

The report said that an increase by 1958 to a maximum of \$75,000,000,000 would require tax increases yielding \$15,000,000,000 more than the Government's present revenue, the Committee said.

Such increases would probably have to come mainly from sales taxes. There would also have to be at least limited economic controls designed to curtail non-security spending by business and the public.

The Committee said some increase in the standard of living could be expected even under this programme, but that it would be less than one per cent a year. — Reuters.

## Reply To Critics Of U.N.

London, Oct. 25.

Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, the Home Secretary, today gave his answer to people who say the failure to establish the peace envisaged in the Atlantic Charter and the United Nations "must be blamed on the inadequacy of the United Nations itself."

The organization, he told a meeting in Trafalgar Square, "cannot do more than its members will let it."

"The General Assembly cannot give orders to countries, but can only make recommendations."

"It is true that the member countries undertake to carry out the decisions of the Security Council, but that Council cannot reach decisions unless the five great powers responsible for the maintenance of peace are in agreement."

"We all know how difficult it has been to reach agreement between these five powers—the United Kingdom, America, Russia, France and China."

Sir David Maxwell Fyfe said people should remember that "this great experiment" was still in its infancy. — Reuters.

## Demand By Dowders' Congress

Dijon, Oct. 25.

The French Federation of Dowders, Water Diviners and Mental Telegraphists, at a national congress here, today demanded legal status for their profession and set up an authorized scale of fees for their services.

The followers of the divining rod voted to charge companies and localities 15,000 francs and individuals 8,000 francs, plus travel costs and living expenses. M. Max Bourcard, 80-year-old dean of the dowders, gave a four-hour demonstration at the congress, which is taking place in the Department of Cote d'Or.

Former Foreign Minister Jean Masson, a national deputy and the mayor of Dijon, welcomed the delegates and hoped that the diviners would soon win the passage of a law granting them legal status in France. — France-Press.

## Died At Wedding Breakfast

Slacaca, Sicily, Oct. 25.

Antonino Pullara, aged 17, died dancing at a wedding breakfast here.

His partner in a quick step screamed when he went limp in her arms, and the orchestra stopped.

A doctor said the guest's death was due to an apopleptic fit brought on by dancing too fast. — China Mail Special.

## Mikoyan Promises More Consumer Goods For Russia

London, Oct. 25.

The Soviet Trade Minister, M. Anastas Mikoyan, in a speech released for publication today and quoted by Tass, the official Soviet news agency, disclosed that the Soviet armament industry has begun to turn out pots and pans, bedsteads, bicycles and other consumer goods for the home market.

M. Mikoyan told Soviet trade officials on October 17 that consumer goods were now being produced "to a large extent in works and factories controlled by nearly all Ministries, including that of aircraft production and defence."

He said that of the 3,445,000 bicycles the Soviet Union planned to produce in 1955, 500,000 would be made by the defence industry.

He said that of 330,000 refrigerators to be made in 1955, 110,000 would be produced by the defence industry and 90,000 by the aviation industry. M. Mikoyan said that more than half the kitchen utensils manufactured in Russia in 1955 would be produced by aircraft plants.

Of 16,500,000 metal bedsteads to be made in the same year, 4,200,000 would be contributed by aircraft factories and 600,000 would be contributed by armament industries. M. Mikoyan's report also shed further light on the extent of the changes in the current five-year plan drawn up during Stalin's lifetime and providing for a larger expansion of heavy industry than of consumer goods production.

Though M. Malenkov, the Prime Minister, announced in August that more emphasis would be placed on the output of consumer goods than originally intended, the full extent of this switch-over was made known only in the present report.

Household goods will be the chief beneficiaries of the new course, according to the Tass M. Mikoyan presented to Soviet trade officials.

Production of kitchenware is to be almost twice as large as envisaged by the Stalin plan, and the output of sewing-machines, television and radio sets is to be more than double that of the original objective.

Other increases over the Stalin plan are provided for furniture, clothing, bicycles and similar articles of everyday use. — Reuters.

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by Francis Martin



LADY MAXWELL FYFE.  
her job is to understand.

LADY MAXWELL FYFE has a sizable career of her own. As one of the Tory party's two vice-chairmen, she helps Lord Woolton run the party machine and keep sand out of the cogs.

When not putting in a ten-to-five working day at Tory headquarters, Abbey House, she scours the country in her 1946 Vauxhall, bright-eyed, humorous and tireless, addressing area rallies and confirming the faith of a million and a half Tory women.

But along with all this goes a second career: that of Home Secretary's wife. The burden of this second career is heavier and trickier.

From time to time matters of death or reprieve hang in the balance. Shadow and stress dog the man who must decide. These are not things he can discard with his coat and umbrella in the vestibule. They are with him at table. They sit by his hearth. His wife is uneasily aware of their presence.

### THREE ROOMS

WHEN Sir David Maxwell Fyfe has crucial issues on his mind such as the Bentley, Straffen or Christie-Evans cases, he works at home in their Gray's Inn flat. He has no office or study there. The flat is a modest three-roomer at the top of a bare stone stair.

His work desk is in the main bedroom. Here he reads and re-reads trial reports and other material.

At such times Lady Maxwell Fyfe makes a point of being on hand. She is the watchdog, nips off futile telephone calls, moves about quietly, thinks hard.

Whenever her husband handles a Bentley or Straffen problem, she keeps herself informed and up to the minute on the main points involved. As likely as not

her husband will want to talk to her about them. In that case she will be in a position to listen intelligently.

After long sessions at the bedroom desk, Fyfe has a way of coming into the sitting-room and standing on the hearth with his back to the chimney-piece and its row of china horses.

With his wife as audience, he reviews the essential facts and arguments of the case in hand, weighing the factors for and against reprieve or other action.

He does this not with a view to seeking his wife's opinion or advice (which she never proffers, of course), but rather in the manner of a man thinking aloud, for the purpose of getting things in focus before making up his mind.

From the sofa corner Lady Maxwell Fyfe puts in an occasional query or comment. It is her job to follow the argument and make it clear the underlands.

### £4000 MAN

THE Fyfes live in a modest way. But, given average middle-class commitments, a Cabinet Minister has a relatively modest income. Not only is his £4,000 taxed, but out of it into the bargain, he has to meet all expenses of office.

Thus Lady Maxwell Fyfe prefers to run the Gray's Inn flat single-handed, save for two hours' help in the afternoons.

For her husband she cooks a bacon-and-egg breakfast before he leaves for the Home Office at nine.

On Sundays and free evenings she produces something good, plain and English: grilled steak or a roast with conventional vegetables.

Their dining-room is the hall of the flat.

Lady Maxwell Fyfe watches over her husband's weight without fussing him about it, laughs at diet charts of the extreme sort, bullies him tactfully when he works through lunch-hour on a sandwich at his Whitehall desk, and is thankful his health is so astonishingly good after years of overwork at the Bar and in the House.

She is always up and waiting for him after late debates. Often he brings with him boxes of Cabinet or Home Office papers which he has had no time to absorb during the day. This means another hour's work either before going to bed or before breakfast next morning.

Six hours' sleep is his normal portion. Often he has to make do with four hours for days on end. Rest spells are few but vital. Lady Maxwell Fyfe plans them firmly.

This summer she took him down to a borrowed house in Sussex near the sea. Nobody knew the address except a small inner ring. Wearing slacks and open-necked shirt, he sat for a fortnight in the sun re-reading Henry (he is a boy still in some ways) and John Buchan.

### DEFEATED

OCCASIONALLY she fixes an escapist jaunt to the pictures. Gangster films and Westerns are his delight. When their younger daughter, Miranda, comes home from boarding school at Christmas the three of them usually do a theatre together.

Lady Maxwell Fyfe has been talking at her husband's side all the way up.

In 1924 she was Sylvia Harrison, daughter of a Liverpool family, eighteen, not long out of school and newly engaged to a reverent young barrister from Scotland.

Like all reverent young barristers, Maxwell Fyfe had political ambitions. As a result he found himself fighting Wigan for the Tories. To his fiancée he telephoned: "Come over and give me a hand."

For economy's sake Sylvia stayed with the local party agent in his small house, sleeping on a shakedown in the nursery alongside the agent's small boy. She and Fyfe put in three weeks of doorstep canvassing as well as a flurry of school-hall or street-corner meetings. They still smile affectionately about the old lady who said: "I agree with every word Mr Fyfe says. But I could not meet my dear ones in Heaven if I voted anything but Liberal."

### COMRADES

AN opulent Wigan helper ran them out to remote meetings in his car. For the rest, unable to afford cars of their own, they fought Wigan on foot and by tram. By the end of the campaign the political innocents had become case-hardened campaigners. They were defeated. But that was part of their initiation.

Since then they have been through more crucial contests. In 1950 and 1951, Fyfe fought West Derby (Liverpool), once a gill-edged seat, after the division had been reshaped to his detriment. Lady Maxwell Fyfe orated and canvassed herself hoarse.

Fyfe afterwards owned that if he had campaigned alone he could not have hoped to succeed. In the last analysis he owes his 1951 victory to Lady Maxwell Fyfe.

They are something more than man and wife. They are comrades, too. I doubt if politics or the law can show a comradeship quite like it.

# Men Behind the Sound Barrier

by LES ARMOUR

A QUIET, scholarly-looking man pores over a battered notebook. It is late—near midnight—and the household is asleep, the room quiet.

The man may be Neville Duke or Mike Lithgow or any one of the half-dozen other top test pilots of today.

For this is the way the men who crash through the sound barrier, shatter world records, and put tomorrow's planes through their paces, spend most of their evenings.

The test pilot is much more than a man who soars through a dark mauve sky and comes down to find his picture in all the papers.

None of today's test cases would admit the pretentious title "scientist," but that, in fact, is what he is.

Each second in the air is recorded not only by a double battery of instruments (one on the plane panel and one stored in the fuselage) but by the pilot's notes, jotted on a pad on his knee and recorded on a tape machine.

At night, he leaves the field not to celebrate his latest triumph but to expand his notes and clarify his suggestions for modification in the design.

Most of the year, he is in the air every day—weekends included. When he is not, he is in conference with the battery of designers who guide a craft from the drawing board to the production line. "Time off" is a luxury—and even that is likely to be spent close to the job.

### WEEKENDS

NEVILLE Duke, 31-year-old World War II ace, often spends weekends flying an ancient 130-mile-an-hour Hawker Tomtit. More of his precious free time is spent building model planes. He likes to play squash and he has occasionally found time to do a little underwater fishing in the south of France.

But not often. Arthur Waterson, bachelor Canadian who heads Glosters' test team, lives in a converted barge on a canal at Tewkesbury and likes to cook. His speciality is rum omelets. More com-

plated cookery takes up too much time.

Mike Lithgow, two years older than Duke, and top Fleet Air Arm pilot in the war, has two children, Anthony, 6, and Philippa, 6. He tries to spend as much time as he can with his family at Stockbridge, near Winchester.

### RELAXATION

HIS spare time is spent mostly in simple relaxation. He and his colleagues seldom show it, but they necessarily live under almost constant strain and their relaxation must take whatever form is immediately available.

David Morgan, Lithgow's assistant and the man who flew from London to Paris in about the time it would take you to walk across the street and have a cup of coffee, also spends his precious leisure time with his family—a wife and two daughters—in his home at King's Somborne, Hants.

John Derry, for whom death lay at the end of a power dive at Farnborough last year, liked to watch birds. He would spend hours lying motionless in deserted fields, his field glasses trained on the sky.

The first Briton to crash the sound barrier, he had publicly showered on him. But he preferred to duck it when he could, and spent almost all his free evenings at home with his wife.

### PUBLICITY-SHY

IN fact, without exception, Britain's great test pilots are publicity-shy. When Duke shattered the world speed record, his wife told reporters: "Neville's probably scared of being photographed when he lands than he ever is in the air."

Newspaper files on Lithgow are almost bare—simply because he hates to talk about himself. In other respects, too, these men are much alike. They came into the business by different routes—but once there they seemed to acquire characteristic "trade marks."

Duke wanted to be a test pilot in his boyhood. He spent his leisure time building model planes, haunted the air circuits (his home at Tonbridge was a favourite perch for them) and saved his pennies for five-shillings-a-time rides in aircraft.

He joined the air force in 1940, too late for the Battle of Britain, but in plenty of time to make his name in the desert battles and in the Italian campaign. He was shot down twice—once over a lake in Libya when he nearly drowned, and once behind enemy lines in Italy when he hid for hours

until an American patrol rescued him—but he shot 28 of Germany's best in the process. He won the DSO and the DFC with two bars.

At the end of the war, he was offered a diplomatic job as air attache in Chungking. But flying was his life and he chose to fly with Hawkers.

Lithgow might have ended as he began—a sea-going naval officer—had not the fates intervened. He joined the Navy in March 1939 as a midshipman. Then the Navy decided to send him on a flying course.

From that he went to aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean—one of the hottest spots in the air war. He soon proved that he had courage, resource and imagination, and the Navy sent him to the air research station at Bascombe Downs.

In 1944, he took charge of the Royal Navy's share in the U.S. naval air experimental station at Patuxent, Maryland.

When he was demobilised, Vickers Supermarine (a traditional supplier of naval craft) snapped him up quickly. John Derry started his flying career as an air gunner—wireless operator with the RAF. From there, he fought his way into a pilot's course. He, too, was an obvious choice when de Havilland started its search for peacetime test pilots.

### NERVELESS

ALMOST to a man, they appear nerveless, serious, almost dedicated to their jobs. Lithgow, Morgan, Derry all helped to make the now famed movie, "Sound Barrier," but they laughed among themselves afterwards.

There is little of the movie heroism on the job. There is not one dramatic test for a plane but scores—perhaps even hundreds—spread over a year or more.

Each part is tested with a separate flight, each flaw verified at least once before modifications are made.

They know that they fly with death each time they fly. That is their job. If there was not the possibility of "something going wrong" and if there were no unknowns to plunge into, there would be no test pilots.

They know, too, that every newspaper in the country has their obituaries written, ready to dash into print.

But they do not dwell upon it. Ask them about it and they say simply: "The danger is probably what keeps us here." But they have nothing in common with the flashy youngsters who zip around the country in fast sports cars, or the boys who run air circuses.

They are the explorers of the twentieth century, and, like the seamen and the mountaineers who explored before them, they have a healthy respect for the elements they work in. They take no unnecessary chances, but they do not shun the necessary ones.



Who supps with the Devil should have a long spoon...  
London Express Service

### LISBON ROUNDABOUT:

## A VALUABLE BEACHHEAD?

By J. B. Dominick

Lisbon, come some 60 heavy tanks and airfield equipment, 20 Sabre jet fighters and no end of jeeps.

In two months Canada has delivered 400 1½ and 3-ton army lorries, 25-pounder field guns and ammunition to the value of £7 million in all, and units of the Portuguese Army are being given intensive training.

All in all a lot of people and a lot of organisations would appear to be preparing for a lot of eventualities.

Be that as it may, Lisbon just now hums with NATO activities. Indeed it is evident that the Allied strategists regard Portugal as a valuable beachhead in case of a big Russian sweep over Europe. General Eisenhower and Ridgway know as well as Field Marshal Montgomery has had long cosy chats with the Portuguese General Staff.

What is perplexing is that though these visitors all mean to fight on the same side, they come to this country under various organisations which claim hardly to know one another. The British keep a modest establishment, but the American Embassy not only have their service attaches in triplicate but give house room to another team of warriors (headed by the very popular General Camm) who represent the Mutual Aid and Assistance Group.

SHAPE, not to be outdone, recently sent a four-man Anglo-American mission from Paris and three British Army Majors—from the Grenadier Guards, Royals and R.A. respectively—have just spent a few weeks in Portugal, living in Portuguese barracks so as to acquaint themselves with local conditions. All these groups, however, seem to act independently, not within one common scheme of training, believing no doubt that it takes all sorts to make an army.

Meanwhile, military equipment continues to arrive. From the USA have

First fruit to this plan is the new hydroelectric dam on the river Cavado at Salamonde, part of a scheme which will very shortly have doubled the total electrical output in Portugal, from all sources.

Vast plans are envisaged for the Upper Douro, which by means of a run-of-the-river dam is scheduled to generate 600 million KWH per annum. British manufacturers of turbines and electrical equipment are naturally interested in the developments.

Fortunately Portugal can go in for these economic schemes without impairing her traditional way of life—such as the none-too-frequent Procession of the Tabuleiros in the town of Tomar, the headquarters of the Templars. In this festival no less than six hundred local girls, each supported by an attendant swain, carry on their heads beflowered erections of split cane through which now leaves have been skewered.

Though the parish clergy take part, the ceremony is clearly pre-Christian in origin and was probably dedicated to Ceres, the goddess of the cornfield, or perhaps to an even earlier harvest deity.

Even with garlanded and gilded horns bring up the rear of the procession, and at the end are "sacrificed"—no longer in the market place but decently in the slaughter house.

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## PIN-UPS FOR SHIPS' PROWS

By J. W. TAYLOR

A PICTURESQUE custom is coming back into shipbuilding fashion—putting life-size figureheads on the prows of ships. Several vessels with new and imposing "pin-ups" on the prows have lately been seen in British ports, notably from Norway.

It was in 1937 that Fred Olsen and Company, of Oslo, one of the leading Norwegian shipbuilding firms, set out to disprove the modern theory that steel hulls and figureheads don't go together. So a start was made to revive an old ship's custom with figureheads comprising a barefoot goddess in flowing robes and an armoured cavalier, which were built into the prows of two sleek cargo ships.

The custom is almost as old as ships themselves. All over the ancient world primitive sailors had figureheads or painted devices on their craft as an omen of good. Gradually the custom spread to other nations. The Phoenicians used carved horse-heads on their

vessels; the Romans busts of their leading warriors; the English and Dutch lions, and the Spaniards the likeness of saints.

Eighteenth and nineteenth century American shipbuilders stepped in with carved lions, cherubs, goblins, mounted knights, Red Indians, characters from Scott and Shakespeare, and modern celebrities from ship-owners to queens as their legendary guardians against disaster.

American Red Indians had already built ocean-going canoes with prows bulging to suggest whales, or topped with figures of bears or other fierce animals, whilst later the White Man's cargo vessels and other craft bore wooden figureheads of famous Americans like Franklin, Washington, Jefferson, Clay, Webster and others.

One of the strangest of bizarre tales told about ships' figureheads concerned the tiny Dutch ship, Erasmus (only 370 tons). In 1598 it arrived on a

trading mission at the now famous atom-devastated Japanese port of Nagasaki, at a time when Nippon suspected all foreigners and scorned trading with other nations. The ship was seized and broken. The crew were never heard of again.

Erasmus's figurehead of a saintly-looking man was claimed as personal booty by the Governor, and it eventually passed into the temple, where the priests had it placed in a prominent position. This wondrous effigy, they said, was that of the Japanese saint Kattedi.

For over 300 years the Japanese people worshipped the figurehead, implicitly believing it to be an idol. Then, earlier in the present century, a Japanese professor of sociology examined the effigy and found on it the "foreign" word "Erasmus" and the date 1598. He informed the priests and they agreed to have the figurehead placed in the Imperial Museum at Eyo.











# BRAVES WIN RIP-ROARING CONTEST, BUT THE GOBS HAVE REASON TO PROTEST

Says "SNOOPER"

Supporters of Ed Carvalho's champion Braves trooped happily home from King's Park yesterday after their favourite team had snatched a dramatic 3 to 2 nine-inning game victory from Bill Williams' USS Orca in one of the most exciting softball clashes seen locally.

The many diamond enthusiasts who were privileged to witness this rip-roaring contest would say that the Orca were robbed. The victory was the Braves' fourth in a row, but it was not a very satisfactory one and the game was played under protest.

The protest was lodged by the Orca against manager Carvalho's coming the field when the ball was in play, thereby causing one run to be scored by Braves' centre-fielder Spikely Gutierrez who stole home from second base to tie the game in the seventh.

At this crucial juncture of the game, the gobs were in front 1-0 and it appeared that they were headed for a truly-deserved triumph.

In the top of the seventh, Spikely Gutierrez got an infield hit and the excited onlookers saw him scampering safely to first.

Gutierrez was then advanced to second by Chappie Remedios on a sacrifice bunt to first. Remedios was called out by base-umpire Jimmy Herrick.

No one could deny the wholehearted endeavour of manager Carvalho to argue with Herrick and while Carvalho, Herrick, Remedios, and Gutierrez were engaged in a heated argument, the best part of the play came as "Spikely" Gutierrez stole home literally ignored by the Orca players.

Shouts of "interference!" from the Orca camp, punctuated by another burst of shouts of "Play Ball!" from the Braves' ranks, marked the 10-minute delay as Bill Williams protested and the umpires went into a huddle.

Many commented that the Orca had been robbed. The writer would add that should the Orca's protest be overruled, it will be even more unfortunate.

One has to admire the grim determination and the will of the gobs to hold out against the champion Braves, against the champions who were pre-gaming favourites. The Braves won, it was only because of this incident.

The Champions were subdued throughout. The game was fought out at a terrific pace and was so full of thrills that minutes went like seconds.

It was a grim struggle featured by tight fielding. The Braves outbatted the gobs but failed to exploit advantages to the full. They collected six hits from pitcher Ray Willingham in the seven-inning play and added two more in the eighth.

Mountain Chappie Remedios started off shakily to issue a few walks but improved as the game progressed, and only yielded three hits in the nine-inning thriller, which was a good performance.

The Orca's infielders in Bill Stiel, Willie Mayes, Bill Williams and Leroy Kingsbury moved more smartly than in their game against the Pandas last week, while the battery in Ray Willingham and Ralph Kvidera accomplished a repeat performance. They did some great work in the grueling contest.

Outfielders Donald Chambers, Bob Hall and Jim Linville were obviously finding their feet and took no chances. Chambers, at left field, was particularly impressive.

**THREE-BAGGER**  
With defeat staring them in the face in the ninth, Bill Williams had other ideas and his three-bagger, the ball soaring high in the sunshine and sailing over right-fielder Buji Dhabber's head and over the fence yonder, drew rounds of applause from the fans. It was the best hit of the afternoon's play.

Prominent at bat were also Bob Hall and Leroy Kingsbury, who had a hit apiece.

The gobs put everything they had into the game—swift moves, spectacular running and above all, admirable sportsmanship.

They proved to one and all by their speed and skill that they were a team to be reckoned with, and when they met the Saints, Pandas and the Warriors in the near future, capacity crowds are to be expected.

Braves' moundman Chappie Remedios made a welcome return to form and claimed the honours against Orca's Willingham.

In his first game in the official opening (tussle against the Warriors a month ago, Remedios was only a shadow of the match-winning personality he can be. He held firm under pressure yesterday and earned the day's applause for grand work.

Catcher Frankie Correa made one bad mistake when he fumbled a throw by left-fielder Dick Chaves to allow Bob Hall to score the Orca's first run in the second inning. Apart from that error, Correa played solidly throughout the game, an outstanding Braves' centre-fielder.

Spikely Gutierrez, who was named MVP, was the star of the game. He was the only player to hit a home run, a double, a single, and a sacrifice bunt. He also stole home in the seventh inning.

Chappie Remedios was the winning pitcher, allowing only three hits and one run in nine innings. He struck out five batters.

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Second baseman Willie Woo's bunt enabled Liang to reach third and then third sacker Willie Ma's triple scored Liang and Woo in that order. Centre-fielder S. S. Hsu slammed Lau's pitch to third to score Wally Ma for the Pandas' third run.

The Pandas forged ahead in the third stanza for 5-0. Liang's hit was muffed by Shortstop L.C. Poon and was advanced to second by a hit to right-field held by Cheng.

A fumble by right-fielder Y.F. Chan enabled Liang and Cheng to reach third and second respectively.

A hit by Willie Woo and a wild pitch by South China's W.K. Kan paved the way for Liang to score. S.S. Hsu then fled out and F. Cheng stole home for the fifth run.

After three more runs in the fourth stanza to tie the lead, the Pandas' slow decline and South China's improvement were the features of the rest of the innings.

The game was not lively enough to prevent the spectators from leaving and those who stayed behind saw more of the South China players in action, despite occasional flashes of brilliance by the Pandas.

The Cantonese made spirited efforts to reduce the gap but found the Pandas too clever for them. It was the Pandas' second victory to date.

**Pandas:**  
R 3 0 3 0 0 0 = 8 runs.  
H 2 0 1 0 0 0 = 3 hits.

**South China:**  
R 0 0 0 1 0 0 = 2 runs.  
H 0 1 0 2 1 2 = 7 hits.

**The teams:**  
**Pandas:** Pitcher—Jackie Wei; Catcher—Raymond Tsao; 1st base—Harold Ong; 2nd base—Willie Woo; 3rd base—Wally Ma; Shortstop—Y.S. Liang; Left-field—F. Cheng; Centre-field—S.S. Hsu; Right-field—P.H. Chan.

**South China:** Pitcher—Dick Lau; Catcher—S.C. Wong; 1st base—C.W. Ng; 2nd base—W.K. Kan; 3rd base—Y.K. Chan; Shortstop—L.C. Poon; Left-field—K.F. Chan; Centre-field—P.N. Wong; Right-field—Y.F. Chan.

**REXES' GOOD SHOW**  
Jindoo Hussain's mighty Saints scored a 2-0 victory over the Rexes, "B" Champions last night in a game featured by the gallant performance of the newly-promoted Rexes squad.

The Rexes played a vigorous straightforward game in which speed and directness were the main assets, plus some sound teamwork in contrast to the unimpressive display of the Saints.

It will be recalled that the fumbling and nervousness contributed to the Rexes' downfall in their match against Frank Poon's Chinese Athletic Association last week.

Yesterday they held the Saints to three scoreless innings and looked likely to achieve the well-nigh impossible. It was only the brilliant batting of George Saunders and the pitching of Vic Pedrusco that saved the day for the Saints.

Saunders was credited with a sizzling liner to shortstop and a two-bagger to head the list of prominent hitters in the game.

The Saints were disturbed by the poor show in the first three innings and in the fourth it was found necessary to make a line reshuffle.

Ignar Erickson, who was posted at left-field, was assigned to his regular job as catcher, Art Ozorio was moved from shortstop to second base, Sherry Bucks to shortstop, Showboat Ali to left-field, and Salleh replaced Bimbi Ablong at right-field.

Then the Rexes allowed the initiative to be snatched away from them and permitted the Saints to draw first blood in the fourth and another run in the fifth.

Hits were scored by Art Ozorio, George Saunders, Benny Omar, Jindoo Hussain, and Sherry Bucks. Only hit by the Rexes was by A.G. Ismail.

It is evident that Jindoo Hussain will have to do some straight talking to his players if they are to win this year's pennant. They cannot afford to indulge in this expensive whim against the Braves, Pandas, the Orca or the Warriors.

**The scores:**  
**Saints:**  
R 0 0 0 1 1 0 = 2 runs.  
H 1 1 0 2 1 1 = 6 hits.

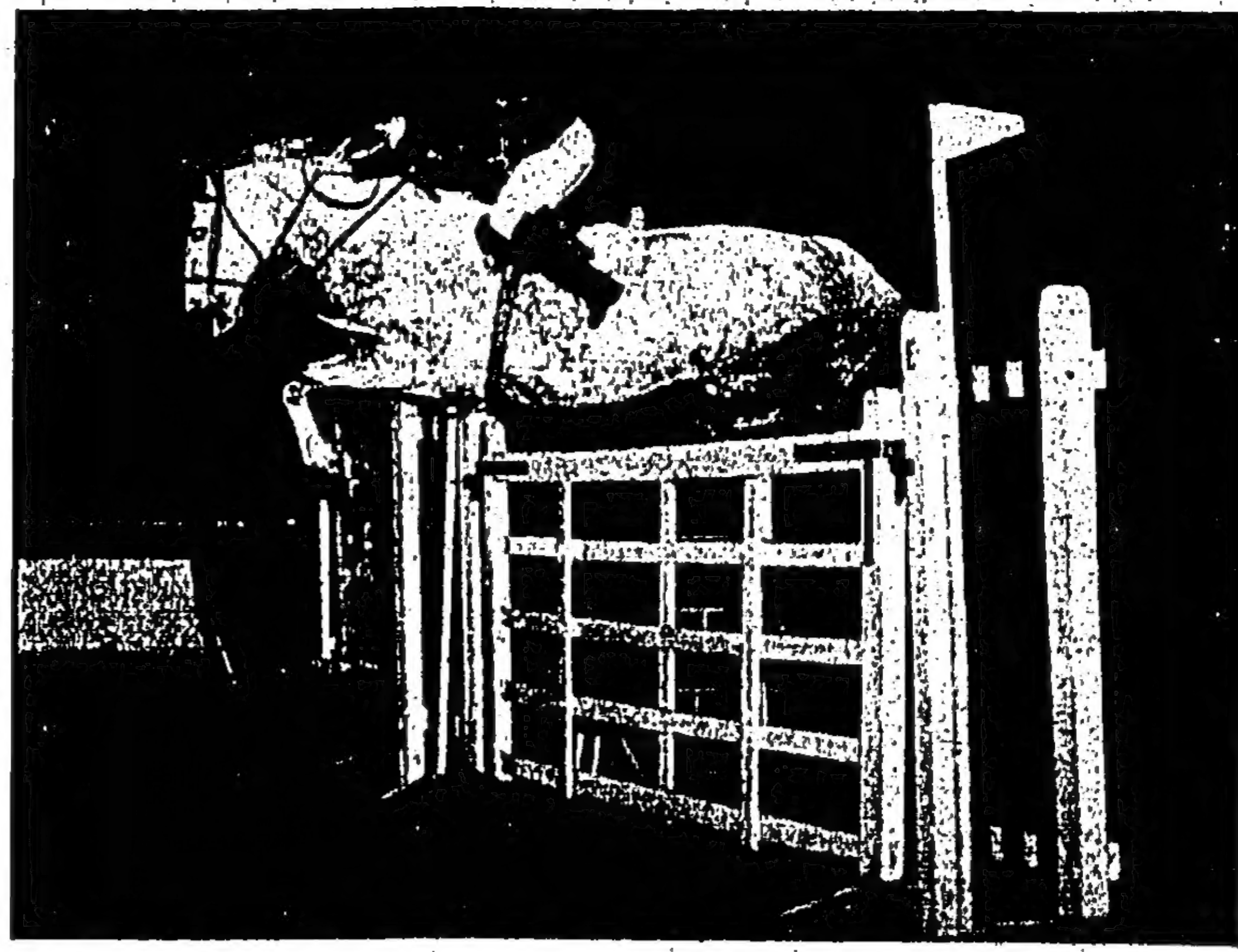
**Rexes:**  
R 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 0 runs.  
H 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 1 hit.

**The teams:**  
**Saints:** Pitcher—Vic Pedrusco; Catcher—George Ribeiro, Ignar Erickson; 1st base—Jindoo Hussain; 2nd base—Sherry Bucks.

**Rexes:** Pitcher—Art Ozorio; Catcher—Sherry Bucks; 1st base—A.G. Ismail; 2nd base—Sherry Bucks; 3rd base—Sherry Bucks; Shortstop—Sherry Bucks; Left-field—Sherry Bucks; Centre-field—Sherry Bucks; Right-field—Sherry Bucks.

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## HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW



Tosca, ridden by Miss Pat Smythe, jumps one of the obstacles in the Over-ture Stakes at the Horse of the Year show at Harringay.—Express Photo.

## SATURDAY'S RUGGER

# Navy Team Puts Up A Promising Show

By "PAK LO"

Saturday afternoon produced no surprises, but some very good and interesting games, particularly that between the Army and the Navy. The Army won by 13 points to 9, and no one there would have been really surprised had the score been reversed.

The Navy attacked from the start, and eventually scored from a penalty. This score against them seemed to vitalise the Army three-quarters who at last got properly under way, and sent Gerrard over, after a fine long solo run, which was, as expected, converted by Hoskins, the Army full back.

Gerrard can safely be said to be one of the finest players in the Colony, and one of the best on view on Saturday. Hoskins, as usual, also shone, and his kicking and his clearing were a delight to watch.

The weakness in the Navy team was the usual one—that of the players not having enough practice together, and as the strength of the team depends on the number of ships in port

nothing can be done in this respect. At half time the score stood at 5 to 3, and no one would have dared at this stage to forecast the outcome. After the interval the Navy again attacked and from a miscalculation, who was backing up exceedingly well both at this point and throughout the rest of the game, scored. Smith himself took the kick but failed to convert, thus leaving the score at Navy 6 Army 5.

However, this state of affairs was soon rectified, by Gerrard who scored, and Hoskins once more converted. Previous to this Hoskins had converted a penalty given for an off side infringement, so the score now stood at 13 to 6 in the Army's favour.

Rees now gave a delightful exhibition of dribbling for nearly forty yards and scored, but too far out to offer the kicker much chance. This was the last score of the game, and so it finished with Army 13 Navy 6.

Both sides attacked well, and the fact that most of the action took place between the two 25-yard lines will give some idea of the excellent defence by both sides.

Definitely this was one of the best games of the season so far, and if the Navy can keep the same team and provide them with more practice together they should do well this year.

The Army seem to be settling down well to their new team, and minor changes will have one of the strongest teams in the Colony.

**IN CONTRAST**  
In contrast to this battle, the previous game was rather lacking in interest as the Club were never in any great danger from the Police.

This was a pity for the Club, who are in need of some strong opposition as they are expecting the Cercle Sportif Salomonais on their Interport visit on November 7 and are by no means satisfied with their present team, and rightly so! The pack must back up much faster in the loose, and the three are by no means perfect in their job.

The Selects have indeed decided to hold a Trial game on Wednesday for this purpose, and rumour has it that two well known players who retired last season are turning out to provide some real opposition. This will make a big difference as there are no outstanding players in the Club "B" XV at present.

The Police team, which is little changed from last season, is fast but lacks weight and finishing power. They must be more willing to experiment this season. Being one of the weakest teams in the Colony, they can lose nothing by switching positions and men around in the

**CLUB "B":** Kirkwood, Layton, Cole, Watson, MacCrae, Craig, Leader, Petrie, Dillworth, Barker, Farquharson, Douglas, Kilvert, Hargrove, Laville.

**POLICE:** McDonald, McNeill, Niven, Scott, Brown, Nash, Woodhouse, Lelliot, Perry, Russell, Gunstone, Harris, Long, Bryan, Carpenter, Kent.

**ARMY:** Hoskins, Thomas, Sliverlight, Gerrard, Rees, Brentford, O. Jones, Daniel, Eve, Jones, Farthing, Gibson, Perry, Whitehead, Gunton.

**NAVY:** Crosbie, Birch, Soames, Davies, Harris, Smith, Ellis, Steven Owen, Rees, Wilkeley, Dalton, Jones, Hall, Cooke.

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# SHIRAI A 60-40 FAVOURITE TO RETAIN TITLE

Tokyo, Oct. 25.  
Both the managers of World Flyweight Champion Yoshio Shirai and challenger and former titleholder Terry Allen today were confident of victory in next Tuesday's Championship fight here.

A crowd of more than 20,000 is expected to see the bout to be held in an outdoor ring in the Koruen baseball stadium.

Japanese sports writers meanwhile continued to pick Shirai, making his third defence of his title, as the 60 to 40 favourite, but no betting odds are available because there is no open betting on fights in Japan.

Dr Alvin Cohen, American manager of Shirai, told the United Press today the Champion was in "very, very fine shape and mentally perfect."

"I'm confident Shirai will win, but I refuse to make any predictions, whether the fight will go the full distance or whether it will end sooner by a knockout," Dr Cohen said.

**JAPANESE JUDGES**  
Allen's manager, Jerry Sharpe, said, "I'm confident we will win, given any fair break. By that I mean Terry will fight with three Japanese judges."

Sharpe said he thought the referee or at least one of the judges could have been selected from within the U.S. security forces personnel here.

He said Allen was in "very good" shape and has had 38 rounds of sparring. Japanese sports writers generally said Shirai's taller by several inches, had a great advantage in reach and that he was the harder hitter of the two.—United Press.

Gavin, who arrived here today from New York, said that Turpin needed to be brought to his senses again. He said that, he tried to find out what was wrong with Turpin's display, the only answer he got was "I'm fed up."

Gavin said that Turpin, on form, could easily have stopped Olson, who was not in the same class as "Sugar" Ray Robinson, who was beaten by Turpin in London for the world title.

But, unless Turpin's mental attitude changed, he added, the British Champion was finished.—France-Press.

**NOTICE**  
**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**  
Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 3rd Race Meeting 1953/1954 to be held on Saturday 7th and Monday 9th November, 1953, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday 27th October, 1953.

By Order of the Stewards, H. MISA, Secretary.

**CZECHS QUALIFY FOR WORLD CUP FINAL**  
Vienna, Oct. 25.  
Czechoslovakia beat Rumania by one goal to nil in Bucharest today to qualify for the finals of the World Soccer Cup competition in Switzerland next June. It was reported here.

A goal in the first half won Czechoslovakia the match. Czechoslovakia, who had previously beaten Rumania in Prague and Bulgaria in Sofia, thus made certain of topping group eight in the qualifying competition.—Reuter.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**  
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(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club).  
Saturday, 7th November & Monday, 9th November, 1953.

**THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 18 RACES**  
The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. on the 1st Day and the First Race run at 2 p.m. On the 2nd Day the First Race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 noon. The 15th interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.).

The Secretary's office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st day and at 10 a.m. on the 2nd day.

**MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE**  
NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.  
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Timings will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**  
The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

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Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

**CASH SWEEPS**  
The cost of a Through Ticket is \$36.00. Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 6th November, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

There will be a Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting. The cost of each ticket is \$2.00.

Cash Sweep Tickets may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Almeida Street and 382 Nathan Road, until 11 a.m. on the 1st day and 10 a.m. on the 2nd day.

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G. "BELLEROPHON"	Sailed	27th Oct.
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## Land Reform In Italy

Rome, Oct. 25. A total of 1,200 Italian landless farm workers today became smallholders when the Government gave them 7,315 hectares (about 18,300 acres) of land stripped from big estates under Italy's agrarian reform programme.

The distribution took place in three parts of Italy, in the south, north of Rome and at Ravenna on the Adriatic.

A total of 51,500 landless peasant families have so far been allotted 255,769 hectares (about 640,000 acres) expropriated from big land owners since Parliament enacted land reform legislation three years ago.

The Government's aim in the immediate future is to distribute a total of 700,000 hectares (1,750,000 acres) under the programme.—Reuter.

## The Trend In Japan

Tokyo, Oct. 25.

The Japanese youth is growing increasingly defence minded, the nation learned today.

Spokesmen of the National Safety Agency—Japan's embryo defence force—said today 56,004 young men had applied for 6,000 vacancies in the 110,000-man Japanese land force.

Of the total 13,280 or 23.34 per cent were 18-year-olds with 10-year-olds next in number with 12,428.—United Press.

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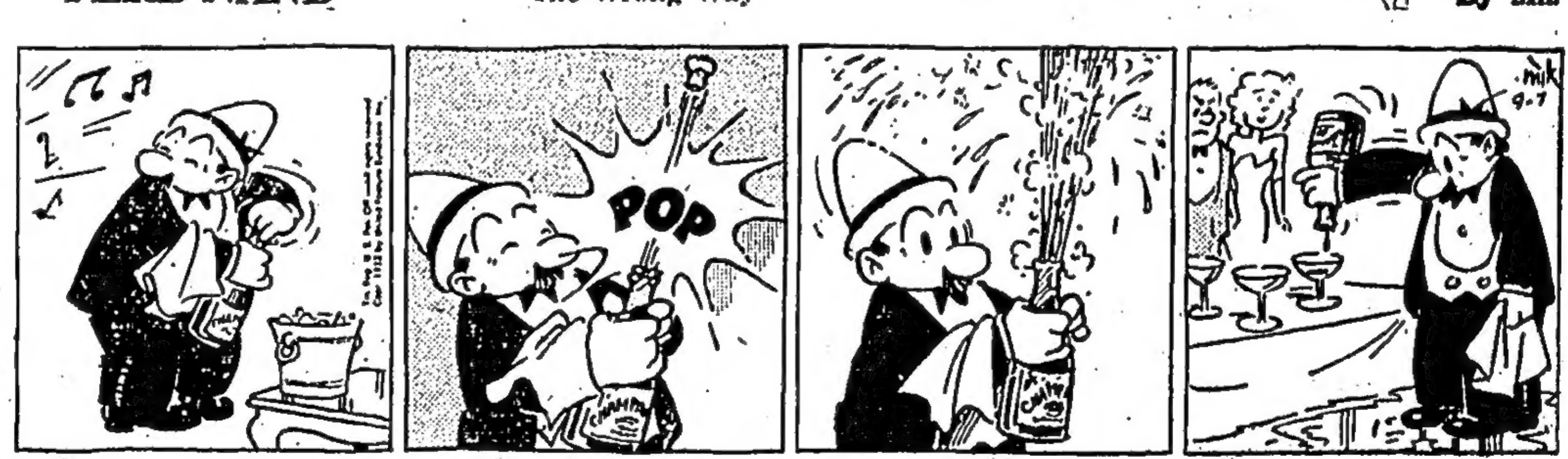
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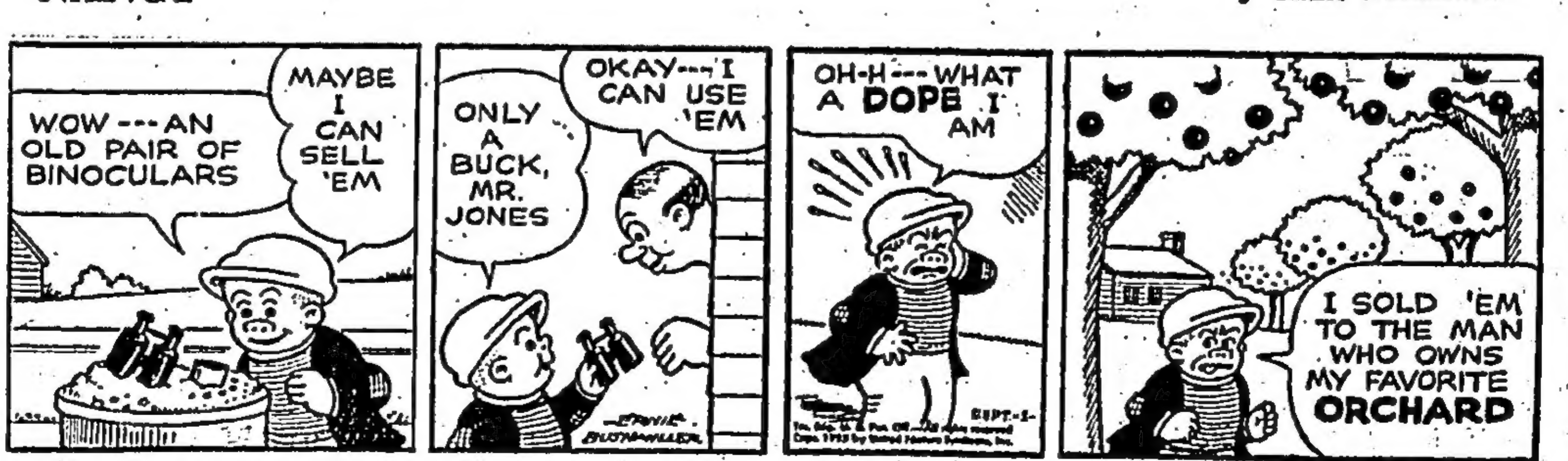
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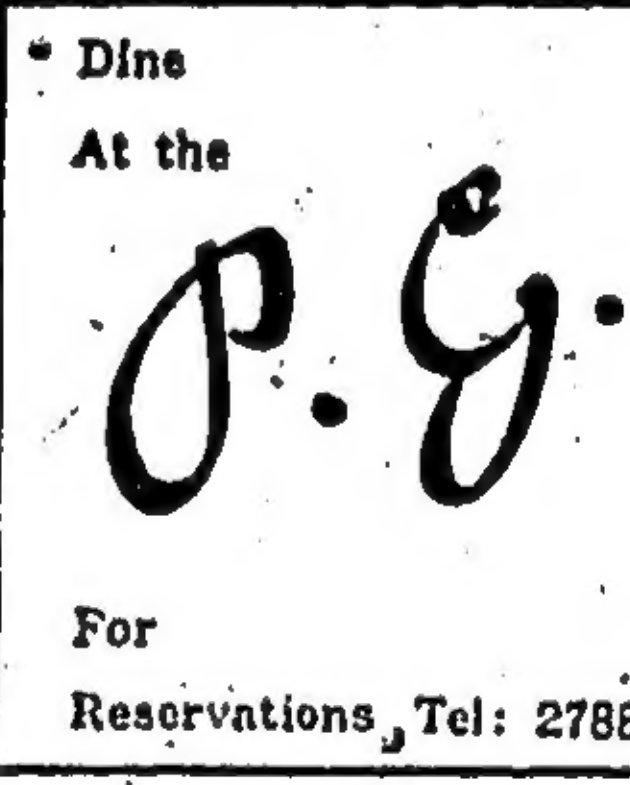
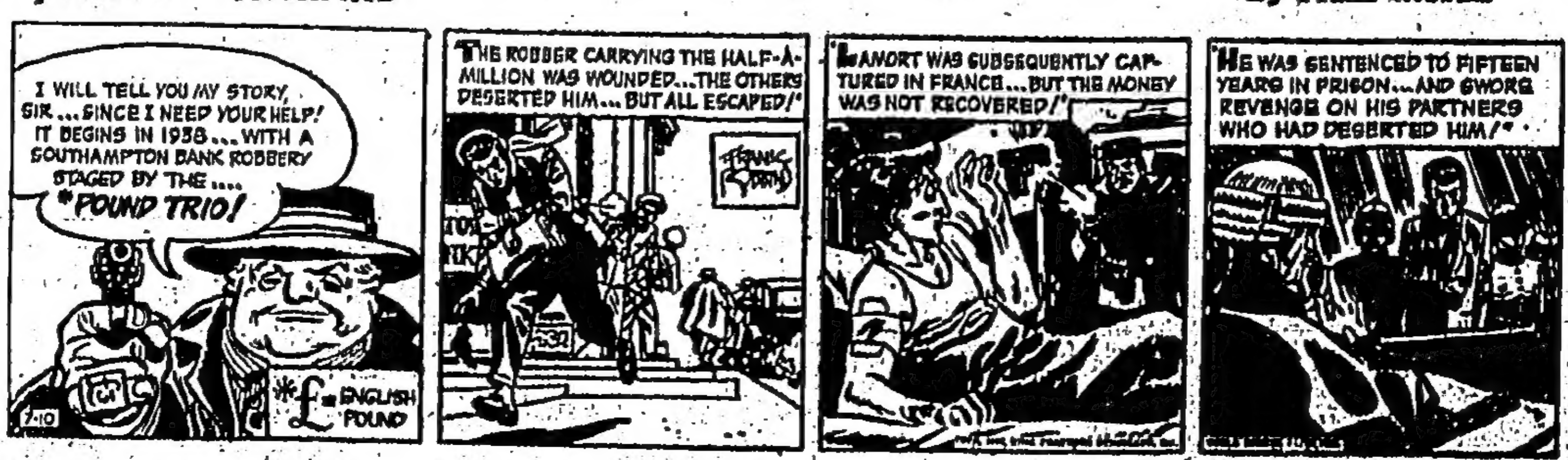
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## METHODIST BISHOP'S WARNING

San Francisco, Oct. 25. A Bishop of the Methodist Church says the United States is further along the road to a police State than Germany was when Hitler took over.

The Rev. Donald H. Tippet told a group of Western Methodist leaders: "It was once fashionable and economically advantageous to be a member of the church."

"Now it is dangerous," he said, "particularly if you are a Protestant and even more particularly if you are a Methodist."

In his address Bishop Tippet told the churchmen to "look out now" as he outlined the religious history of Nazi Germany.

"The Church kept silent while attacks on labour unions, highly regarded university professors and the like took place," he said. "By the time Hitler moved on the Church, all its natural allies had been silenced."

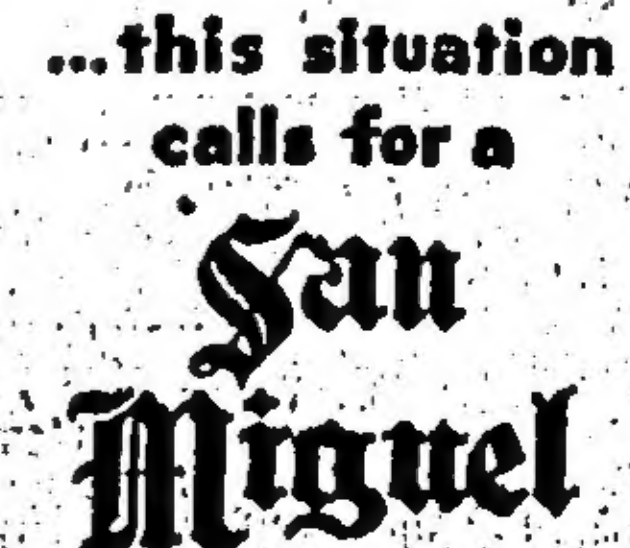
Bishop Tippet compared Hitler's Germany and the present-day United States.

"Our country is further along towards the police State now than Germany was at the time when Hitler took over," he said. —United Press.

## Flying Back To New Delhi

London, Oct. 25.

The British High Commissioner to India, Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, left London by air tonight for New Delhi after four months sick leave in Britain. Sir Alexander, who had been suffering with phlebitis, said before he left that the trouble was completely cleared up. Mr. C. H. Sumnerhayes, British Ambassador to Nepal, travelled in the same plane.



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## Queen To Keep In Touch

London, Oct. 25. When Queen Elizabeth leaves on her Commonwealth tour next month, much of her desk work will go with her.

Though Counsellors of State will be appointed to handle the day to day matters which need the Sovereign's signature or approval, there are some things which will require the Queen's personal attention.

"Communications will be such that the Queen will be in constant touch with her Government in the United Kingdom and in the entire Commonwealth," a Buckingham Palace spokesman said today.

"She will continue her work wherever she is."

According to the Palace spokesman, the Counsellors will be responsible mainly for United Kingdom affairs. Each Dominion, however, has the privilege of deciding whether or not matters pertaining to their Governments are approved by the Counsellors or the Queen herself.

It is expected that before the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh leave for their tour on November 23, a new or amended Regency Bill will be passed by Parliament.

It will probably be altered so as to include the Queen Mother among the Counsellors of State and to transfer the power of Regency from Prince's Margaret to the Duke of Edinburgh.

Under the present Regency Act of 1937 (which was amended in 1943), the Regent is the person of full age, 21 years, next in line of succession to the Crown. Princess Margaret is that person, coming after the heir apparent, Prince Charles, nearly five years old, and Princess Anne, three.

The Regent would come to power in the event of the Queen's death or incapacity to govern and then only if Prince Charles were under age.—China Mail Special.

## MOSCOW ON TRADE POSITION

London, Oct. 25. Japanese competition against Britain in Southeast Asia was the result of a calculated joint attack by the United States and Japan, with the former's ring-leader, Moscow, Radio said in its English broadcast tonight.

In a programme called "the dollar shadow over Britain," the Radio quoted Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, British President of the Board of Trade, at the GATT meeting in Geneva, for the statement that Britain was "greatly anxious" over Japanese competition.

Quoting the magazine "Fortune," the Radio said Wall Street was supplying 80 per cent of present foreign investments in Japan. With that held, America was directing Japanese exports into Southeast Asia, notably India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon.

In return for these heavy investments, the Radio added, the United States were claiming 90 per cent of Japanese mined bauxite, tin, copper and lead, thus further to strengthen its grip on Japanese economy.

By means of direct pressure on Asian countries, the Americans were able to ensure most favourable conditions for Japanese exports, as, for example, in Burma, where under such pressure, abolished imperial preferences last May.

Before this, Japanese exports to Burma were subject to double the duty levied on British goods. Now the situation has changed and not in Britain's favour, the Radio said.—China Mail Special.

## New Attempt On K-2

Rawalpindi, Oct. 25. The Pakistan Government has given permission to an Italian expedition led by Professor Ardito Desio, of Milan University, to attempt to climb K-2 (Mount Godwin Austen), the world's second highest peak, next year.

Professor Desio, who is a professor of Geology, climbed on the 28,250-foot mountain 27 years ago with the Duke of Spoleto.

He is expected to make his attempt earlier than did the unsuccessful American expedition under Dr. Charles Houston this year, during which Mr. Arthur Gilkey was killed in an avalanche.

Dr. Houston has said it would be better to be ready for the final assault by the beginning of July, whereas he was not ready until the beginning of August.

Dr. Houston is understood to have applied for permission to make another attempt in 1955. The peak has never been conquered.—China Mail Special.

## World Beauty Competition



At a competition in London last week Miss France was awarded the "Miss World" beauty title. Here are five of the unsuccessful beauty queens. From front they are: Miss Great Britain, Miss Denmark, Miss Switzerland, Miss U.S.A. and Miss Egypt.—Central Press Photo.

## Franco Relying On U.S. For Economic Aid

Madrid, Oct. 25. More steel and more cement are Spain's two great needs to enable her to take full advantage of new aid which she is now going to receive from the United States.

United States experts are understood to be concentrating on how to help Spain to get her new State-sponsored steel plant at Aviles, in Asturias, running before the scheduled time, namely, the end of 1956 or early 1957.

Spain's total steel output, at 902,000 tons in 1952, is one of the smallest in Western Europe and compared with the United States output of nearly 100,000,000 tons a year, is a tiny trickle indeed. The United States produces as much steel each 3 1/2 days as Spain does in a year.

More modern construction machinery from the United States may help to speed up the building of the plant at Aviles, a small picturesque town near the Atlantic coast, where dredgers are altering the course of the estuary to permit the steelworks to be laid out on the most suitable site.

This is low-lying land and the September high tides flooded much of it this year, hence the necessity of elaborate preparatory work to lay the factory on secure and dry foundations.

The cement problem is largely a question of new plant for two big new, private enterprise factories which the Government has authorised recently and the renovation of equipment at outdated plants.

In short supply. In this connection, United States help may be valuable. Cement, large quantities of which will be needed for work on improvements to Spanish naval and air bases, is in short supply in Spain at present. In 1952, production was only 2,544,000 tons, although the Government aims at 4,500,000 tons by 1956.

In the meantime, it is possible that cement may be imported from Germany to bridge the gap.

The Aviles steel plant has been the centre of a heated controversy in Spain in the past few years.

On one side is the great apostle of the industrialization of Spain, Senor Juan Antonio Suarez, head of the 11-year-old National Industrial Institute, a "trouble-shooting" organisation which undertakes industrial schemes that private enterprise does not care to tackle, and which is building the Aviles plant as well as running some 30 other industrial ventures.

On the other side are agrarian circles who are afraid that industrialisation will draw workers from the land and raise farm-hands' wages; middle and upper class circles who fear that the modernisation of Spain means inflation in a greater or lesser degree and so will affect the value of their incomes from investments or State pensions; private steel interests, which dislike a new competitor in what was a very cosy market; other industrial interests which have their own very profitable markets and are afraid that increased industrialisation resulting from bigger steel pro-

## Soviet Doctors To Attend Congress

Moscow, Oct. 25. A Soviet delegation is going to Nice, on the French Riviera, for a Medical Congress on Oct. 29. It was announced today.

Professor Anatole Nikolayev is to head the Soviet delegation and will be accompanied by Dr. Constantin Khilov.—France-Press.

## Unsettling Factors But Stock Exchange Not Really Worried

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Oct. 25.

The petrol strike towards the end of the week, coupled with political difficulties—Israel-Jordan, Trieste and British Guiana—has had its unsettling effect on the market.

Those who have felt, however, that the markets generally required some consolidation have been encouraged by the fact that the undertone has been remarkably firm.

Business has been slack during the week but there have been individual excitations.

Considerable discussion has arisen, for example, over Barclay's Bank reorganisation, involving the raising of the dividend on "B" shares.

"A" stock is being raised to the full status of a bank equity with the right to share in all future increases in dividend.

Instead of announcing, as usual, a New Year final dividend, Barclay's are declaring a second interim on each of their three classes of stock, and state there will be no further dividend for 1953.

The effect on the "B" stock, with a payment of nine per cent

## New Tanker Sailing From Yokohama

Tokyo, Oct. 25.

The Uruga Dock Company said today the "21,000-ton oil tanker, B. A. Canada, now under construction for the British and American oil companies, would leave Yokohama early next month on her maiden voyage to Long Beach, California.

The tanker will make the trip to California via the Persian Gulf.

A spokesman for the dock company said that 48 of the 61 crew members would be Japanese.

The spokesman said a British and American oil company had signed a long-term agreement with the Yokohama branch of the Japan's Seamen's Union covering the employment of Japanese crew members.

The spokesman said Japanese wages would be half that being paid to foreign crew members.—China Mail Special.

## Japan's Delegation To Cotton Talks

Tokyo, Oct. 25.

The Government has appointed a seven-man delegation to the International Cotton Advisory Council opening in Washington on November 2. The meeting will discuss an international cotton agreement.—France-Press.

## Novel Exhibition In New York

New York, Oct. 25.

Machine tools makers from 14 countries have been staging the world's first permanent tool show in an effort to boost sales and stimulate international trade.

An estimated 1,000 machines have been on display. They are valued at \$4,000,000. They were put on display at the budding "Machine Tool Centre."

"Both manufacturers and users of machine tools stand to benefit from this novel undertaking," said Mr. Louis Strybnik, Vice-President of the S & S Machinery Co., of Brooklyn, New York.

It will give manufacturers the world over a permanent centre where they can exhibit and demonstrate the latest developments and newest ideas in machine tools, he asserted.

Here they also will be able to study and exchange ideas, designs and know-how with each other, according to Mr. Strybnik, who was one of the founders of the exposition.

At the same time, he added, it will eliminate the need for buyers to travel all over the world to inspect, compare and test the various types of machine tools they need.

At the centre, he continued, skilled technicians and sales

engineers will demonstrate new machines, innovations for old machines, and new techniques and methods of operation.

Mr. Strybnik said that European tool makers, still striving to overcome the effects of World War II, will find the centre a means of introducing their products to the Western Hemisphere and increasing trade.

It's a sort of private joint-plan programme," he added. The machine tool builder said that this might mean increased competition from foreign manufacturers, but added that "America's industrial progress has been marked by competition."

Participating in the project so far are manufacturers from the United States, Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Sweden, Great Britain, Austria, Belgium and Canada.

The tools displayed ranged from a 25-ton milling machine to a 20-inch lathe, a 10-inch cutting tool.—United Press.

## Foreign Trade Deficit

### Japan To Request Quota Removal?

London, Oct. 24. The Economist said today it is evident that Japan will press for relaxation of import restrictions in the Commonwealth countries to help ease an increasing foreign trade deficit.

The Government of Mr. Yoshida, faced with an increasing deficit in its foreign trade, has drawn up an emergency plan which relies heavily on the willingness of the sterling area, France and other countries to relax import restriction, the Economist said.

"It proposes to foster switch deals, in which Japan will sell dollar goods to the countries with which it is running the largest overdrafts."

It will be recalled that the Bank of England tried an experiment of this kind in order to reduce the British deficit in the European Payments Union, but abandoned the scheme after a few days owing to the rush that ensued from foreign, particularly German, buyers.

The Economist said another plan is to couple "hard" imports and exports in trade with countries with which Japan has a bilateral clearing agreement.

"In this way, foreign trade merchants will receive priority import licences for such commodities as sugar, pulp and raw wool if they sell increased quantities of iron and steel products, fertilisers, whale-oil and industrial equipment."

SPECIAL RIGHTS. Increased exports to the sterling area are to be rewarded by special rights for importing dollar goods. This system is expected to cost up to 30 million dollars.

In addition, various restrictions on trade with the Near and Middle East and Latin America are to be removed, and the Japanese Export-Import Bank has been empowered to grant better credit terms to facilitate investments or sales overseas, and to foster imports of commodities that will help the export drive.

In view of the continued fall in Japan's sterling holdings, the authorities are anxious not to wait until the trade talks with Britain, that are due in December, and a special envoy is said to be arriving in London this month to sound out the British attitude towards concessions.

Japan has been securing sterling against dollars by the so-called "swap deals" with the Bank of England, and will presumably want to continue this hand-to-mouth method. But, in addition, it is evident that the Japanese will press for relaxation of import restrictions in the Commonwealth countries.—China Mail Special.

## Weekly Bank Statement

London, Oct. 25.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended Oct. 21, reads as follows:—  
Note in circulation: £3,302,237,023  
Public deposits: £7,002,234,823  
Private deposits: £10,029,921,000  
Government securities: £3,991,514,214  
Other securities: £2,442,430,000  
Sinking fund: £1,997,500,000  
Bank ratio: 11.1  
—Reuter.

## No Increase In Price Of Synthetic Planned By US

Washington, Oct. 25.

The U.S. has no intention of raising its price for Government synthetic rubber despite Malaysian and Indonesian complaints that it is selling too low.

"We are making a normal profit—all that is justified—and see no reason to increase the cost to American consumers," said an official.

Asked whether the fact the synthetic plants were Government-operated did not contain the elements of some subsidisation which might account for foreign complaints, the official said:

"Last year, we made the greatest profit in history on our synthetic plants, a profit we turned back to the Government. We pay local and State taxes in every place we operate. The only tax we do not pay is Federal income tax. Even if you deduct it from our profit last year, we made as large a profit as any manufacturing organisation should expect."

The U.S. synthetic industry is to be sold to private interests in this country some time during 1955.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$145,081.80. New quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

DANKS Bank 1510 5 10 1010  
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## Indian Mission In Japan

Tokyo, Oct. 25.

An Indian industrial inspection mission today paid a courtesy call on Mr. Nobuhiko Ushida, director of the Japanese Trade Ministry's International Trade Bureau.

The mission, composed of 25 members of the All-India Manufacturers Association, arrived in Japan last night for a tour of industrial plants in Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya and Kansai districts.

A spokesman for the mission said: "After the inspection tour, we would like to confer with Japanese trade leaders and Government officials about economic co-operation between Japan and India."—Reuter.

## Jute Prices Increased

London, Oct. 26.

The price of raw jute in Britain is increased by 2 1/2 p from today following increases in Pakistan export prices, the Ministry of Materials announced.

The increase, which applies to all grades of raw jute, restores the price to the level ruling before October 5, 1953, the announcement said.

"The Jute Control's selling prices of imported jute goods of hessian types are correspondingly increased, but there is no change in their selling prices of imported heavy bags."—Reuter.

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—  
U.S. dollar (per £1) 13 1/4  
Sterling notes (per £1) 13 1/4  
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 18 40  
Singapore dollars (per 100) 18 40  
Straits dollars (per 100) 18 40  
Indo-China piastres (per 100) 8 50



